

What is claimed is:

1. A forming structure for use in an apparatus for making formed polymeric film, the forming structure being cylindrically tubular and comprising:
 - a. a first cylindrical portion comprising a network of interconnecting members defining apertures;
 - b. a second cylindrical portion being solid and having no apertures; and
 - c. a third cylindrical portion being a transition between and joining said first and second portions, the transition portion exhibiting an increasing number of interconnecting members defining an increasing number of apertures when viewed from said second portion to said first portion.
2. A forming structure for use in an apparatus for making formed polymeric film, the forming structure comprising:
 - a. a first portion comprising a network of interconnecting members defining apertures, the apertures being spaced in a pattern defining a first percent open area;
 - b. a second portion being solid and having no apertures and zero percent open area; and
 - c. a third portion being a transition between and joining the first and second portions, the transition portion exhibiting a second percent open area, the second percent open area of the third portion being less than the first percent open area of first portion.